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**Mrs. Helen Duane Phillips**



Dear Helen:

Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter of October 17th regarding my appointment to the Directorship of the CIA

I am indeed honored that the President has called upon me to fill this important post and will do all in my power to justify his confidence.

It was kind of you also to send along the extra copy of the picture and news clipping. Rosemary is delighted to have it. She joins in our love and very best wishes.

Most sincerely,

15/John

John A. McCone

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